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DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)

Title of Invention

APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR APPLYING A STRAP AROUND A
BUNDLE OF OBJECTS

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
☒ Application No. 10/764,267, filed on January 23, 2004,
☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

All statements made herein of my/our own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

FULL NAME OF INVENTOR(S)

Inventor one: Ross Armstrong

Citizen of: Canada

Signature: Ross Armstrong

Date: 5/27/04

Inventor two: Yee Chak

Citizen of: US

Signature: Yee Chak

Date: 5/25/04

Inventor three: Donald A. Smith

Citizen of: US

Signature: Donald A. Smith

Date: 5/25/04

Inventor four: _____

Citizen of: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

☐ Additional inventors or a legal representative are being named on _____ additional form(s) attached hereto.

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ELECTION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY and CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS INDICATION FORM	Application Number	10/764,267
	Filing Date	January 23, 2004
	First Named Inventor	Ross Armstrong
	Title	APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR APPLYING A STRAP AROUND A BUNDLE OF OBJECTS
	Art Unit	3721
	Examiner Name	
	Attorney Docket Number	720004.535

I hereby appoint:

☒ Practitioners at Seed IP Law Group PLLC, Customer Number: **00500**

OR

☐ Practitioner(s) named below:

Name	Registration Number

as my/our attorney(s) or agent(s) to prosecute the application identified above, and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I am the:

☐ Applicant/Inventor.

☒ Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ As assignee of record of the entire interest I/we hereby elect, under 37 CFR 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventor(s).

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

Name	David Lamb
Signature	
Date	May 25, 2004

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventor(s) or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below*.

☐ *Total of _____ forms are submitted.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.31 and 1.33. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 3 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: Ross Armstrong et al.Application No./Patent No.: 10/764,267 Filed/Issue Date: January 23, 2004Entitled: **APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR APPLYING A STRAP AROUND A BUNDLE OF OBJECTS**Enterprises International, Inc.

(Name of Assignee)

a

corporation

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %

in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

- A. ☐ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above.
The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

- B. ☒ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

1. From: Ross Armstrong, Yee Chak and Donald A. Smith To: Ovalstrapping, Incorporated

The document was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

2. From: Ovalstrapping, Incorporated To: Enterprises International, Inc.

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- ☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

- ☒ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title noted in B above are attached.

[NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.8]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

May 25 2004
Date

David Lamb

Typed or printed name

360-532-1000
Telephone Number

[Signature]
Signature

President and Director

Title

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 3.73(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



BEST AVAILABLE COPY**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, Ross Armstrong, Yee Chak and Donald A. Smith (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having mailing addresses of 1 Red Haven Drive, Grimsby, Ontario, Canada L3M 5J7; P.O. Box 152, Hoquiam, Washington 98550; and 619 Fairway Drive, Aberdeen, Washington 98520, respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR APPLYING A STRAP AROUND A BUNDLE OF OBJECTS," as described and claimed in the specification for which an application for United States letters patent was filed on January 23, 2004 and assigned Application No. 10/764, 267;

WHEREAS, Ovalstrapping, Incorporated (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at P.O. Box 738, Hoquiam, WA 98550, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United

States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

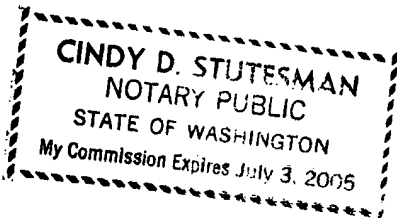
5/27/04
Date

Ross Armstrong
Ross Armstrong

State of Washington
County of Grays Harbor

ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Ross Armstrong is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.



Dated 5/27/04
Signature of Cindy Stutesman
Notary Public
Printed Name Cindy Stutesman
My appointment expires July 3, 2005

Date 05/25/2004Yee Chak
Yee ChakState of Washington)County of Grays Harbor)

ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Yee Chak is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated May 25, 2004Signature of
Notary Public Sherri L. VesseyPrinted Name Sherri L. VesseyMy appointment expires June 1, 2005

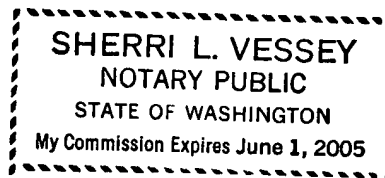
5/25/04
Date _____
State of Washington)
County of Grays Harbor)
Donald A. Smith
ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Donald A. Smith is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated May 25, 2004
Signature of
Notary Public Sherri L. Vessey
Printed Name Sherri L. Vessey
My appointment expires June 1, 2005

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BEST AVAILABLE COPY**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, Ovalstrapping, Incorporated (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at P.O. Box 738, Hoquiam, Washington 98550, is the owner of record of an invention entitled "APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR APPLYING A STRAP AROUND A BUNDLE OF OBJECTS," as described and claimed in the specification for which an application for United States letters patent was filed on January 23, 2004 and assigned Application No. 10/764, 267;

WHEREAS, Enterprises International, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business at P.O. Box 293, Hoquiam, Washington 98550-0359, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNOR agrees to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters

patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

June 9, 2004
Date

Ovalstrapping, Incorporated
By [Signature]
David Lamb
Director

State of Washington)
County of Grays Harbor) ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that David Lamb is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he was authorized to execute the instrument, and acknowledged it as the Director of Ovalstrapping, Incorporated to be the free and voluntary act of said corporation for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated June 9, 2004

Signature of
Notary Public [Signature]

Printed Name Sherri L. Vessey

My appointment expires June 1, 2005

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